IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Peter Streuer

Title: RECHARGEABLE BATTERY AND SEALING PLUG FOR A

RECHARGEABLE BATTERY

Appl. No.: 10/706,726

Appl. Filing Date: 11/12/2003

Examiner: Ben Lewis

Art Unit: 1795

Confirmation No.: 7254

Atty. Dkt. No.: 054821-0877

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the issue fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. §141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. §145 or §146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

1. <u>Su</u>	bmissio	n required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114: (check items that apply)							
	a. Previously submitted:								
	[]	Please enter and consider the amendment and/or reply previously filed on							
	[]	Please consider the Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) previously filed on but not considered.							
	[]	Please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply previously filed on _							
	[]	Other							
	b. Enclosed are:								
	[X]	Amendment/Reply (17 pages).							
	[]	Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s).							
	[]	Information Disclosure Statement.							
	[]	Form PTO/SB/08 with copies of listed reference(s).							
Miscellaneous:									
	[]	Suspension of action of the above-identified application is requested under 37							

C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of __ months.

The filing fee is calculated below:

	Claims as Amended	Previously Paid For	Extra Claims Present	Rate		Fee Totals			
RCE Fee 1.17(e):	Amended	raiu roi	Fresciit	\$810.00	=	\$810.00			
Total Claims:	10	- 20	= 0	x \$50.00	=	\$0.00			
Independents	4	- 4	= 0	x \$210.00	=	\$0.00			
First p	resentation of	any Multiple I	Dependent Claims:	+ \$370.00	=	\$0.00			
			CLAIMS	FEE TOTAL:	=	\$810.00			
[X] Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:									
[] Extens	ion for respons	e filed within	the first month:	\$120.00 0		\$0.00			
[X] Extens	\$460.00		\$460.00						
[] Extens	\$1,050.00		\$0.00						
[] Extens	\$1,640.00		\$0.00						
[] Extens	\$2,230.00		\$0.00						
		\$460.00							
		\$0.00							
		\$460.00							
	CLAIMS AND EXTENSION FEE TOTAL:								
[]	[] Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½ of above)								
[]	Suspension of	action request	ed under 37 C.F.R.	§ 1.103(c)		\$0.00			
			TC	TAL FEE:		\$1270.00			

The above-identified fees of \$1270.00 are being paid by credit card via EFS-Web.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by the credit

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card payment instructions in EFS-Web being incorrect or absent, resulting in a rejected or incorrect credit card transaction, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned attorney or agent at the address indicated below.

Respectfully submitted.

Date: April 25, 2008

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